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Sir:

A Petition and fee for a one-month Extension of Time through and including January 18, 2004, accompanies this Election.

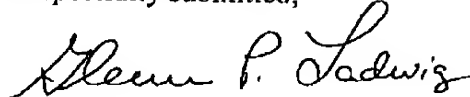
In response to the written restriction requirement dated November 18, 2003, the applicants hereby elect SEQ ID NO. 6 (GDGY), with traverse, as the single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-17 are readable thereon. The applicants note that the restriction requirement states that claims 1-17 are drawn to "growth factors" having tetrapeptides attached to a cyclic complex. However, the claims are drawn to growth factor binding compounds, and all of the claims are not limited to the aforementioned embodiments. For example, claim 1 simply recites that the growth factor binding compound comprises peptide loops attached to a non-peptide organic scaffold.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment: Petition and Fee for Extension of Time